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10,000 MEN'S AND BOYS' FINE, CUSTOM MADE, HIGH GRADE SUITS AND OVERCOATS

9c Boys' 25c Wool Knee Pants

Made by the very best tailors in Chicago for the best city trade—all thoroughly well put together—Clothing that'll fit, wear well, hold its shape and won't fade. Most of these garments are satin lined coats, with fly fronts, etc. In fact every little detail has been faithfully attended to, so that we can confidently urge you to buy any garment in this sale KNOWING you will get a supremely big bargain.

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Boys' \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 All Wool KNEE PANTS 50c

Men's \$25 Suits for \$12.50

Men's strictly all wool imported worsteds, Scotch chevots and fine cassimeres Suits, all silk and satin lined, straight or round cut, single or double-breasted, wholesale price \$25.00, on sale at



Men's \$18 Suits for \$7.50

These are strictly all wool chevots, cassimeres, worsted and melton Suits, in 20 different neat and fancy patterns, single or double-breasted, straight or round cut, wholesale price \$18.00, on sale at



Men's All Wool Suits \$5.00

Men's Winter Weight All Wool Suits, single and double-breasted, desirable and stylish patterns, first class make and trimmings, have been sold by wholesale houses for \$12.50, special price



Men's \$7.50 Suits and Overcoats \$3.98

MEN'S SUITS, made of heavy wool melton, straight or round cut, wholesale price \$7.50, on sale at \$3.98.
MEN'S OVERCOATS, Made of heavy chinchilla, well lined, sold at wholesale for \$7.50, go at



Men's All Wool \$18 Ulsters and Overcoats \$7.50

Made of heavy all wool beaver, Irish frieze, kersey and melton, some with lined, some wool lined, sold at wholesale for \$18.00, go at



Men's \$12 Ulsters for \$4.98

These are heavy Storm Coats, in dark blue, black, steel mixtures and brown, with storm collars, mull pockets and warm lined, sold at wholesale for \$12.00, go at



Young Men's \$10, \$12 and \$15 all wool Suits \$5

This gives you your choice of any Man's Spring Suit in this purchase, including all wool imported worsteds, fancy chevots in neat patterns, plaids and checks and fancy cassimeres, wholesale price \$10.00, \$12.00 and \$15.00, now go at



Boys' \$3.50, \$5 and \$6.50 Cape Overcoats and Ulsters \$1.98

This is a grand opportunity to buy a boys' heavy, warm winter Cape Overcoat or chinchilla Ulster, in sizes from 4 to 16 years, that sold at wholesale for up to \$6.25, now on sale at



Boys' \$7.50 and \$10.00 Storm Ulsters \$3.50

These are made of the finest grade of heavy chinchilla and Irish frieze, with large storm collars and side pockets, that sold at \$7.50 and \$10 at wholesale, now go at



Boys' \$4, \$5 and \$7.50 Reefers \$1.98 and \$2.98

Made of heavy chinchilla and astrakhan, with storm collars, reefer collars and velvet collars, ages 4 to 15, sold at wholesale for up to \$7.50, go now at



Boys' \$2.50 and \$3.50 and \$5 Suits for \$1.59 and \$1.98

These are heavy, warm, double-breasted Suits, in ten different patterns, all wool made; Knee Pants Suits in sizes 4 to 14 years, sold at wholesale for up to \$5.00, go now at



All the Men's \$2.50, \$3, \$4 and \$5 all wool Pants \$1.59 & \$1.98

This includes every pair of men's Pants in this entire purchase, giving you your choice of hundreds of different patterns and materials; Pants that sold wholesale for up to \$5.00 a pair, go at



KEEP ALL THE SECRETARIES

Dilworth's Plan for Remodeling the State Board of Transportation.

GIVE GOVERNOR THE APPOINTING POWER

Suggests that the Board consist of One Member and Three Secretaries, and that the Latter Decide Everything.

LINCOLN, Dec. 15.—(Special).—The secretaries of the State Board of Transportation have prepared the copy for the biennial report of the department, and it was sent to the printer this evening. The only recommendation of moment in the report was prepared by Secretary Dilworth, which is to the effect that the board, now composed of five members, state auditor, secretary, state treasurer, land commissioner and attorney general, should be abolished and the appointing power of the secretaries placed in the hands of the governor. Secretary Dilworth suggests that the findings of the three secretaries should be the finding of the governor, and that they should be final. This, he says, would do away with the divided responsibility which now lies between the board and the three secretaries. The appointing power of the three secretaries of the Kansas State Board of Transportation is vested in the governor, and findings of the secretaries are final. Secretary Dilworth also recommends that the secretaries be appointed for one, two and three years, thus making a vacancy to be filled each year. The estimate of appropriations for the coming biennium of \$17,700, divided as follows: Printing, \$600; traveling expenses, \$300; postage, \$600; furniture and repairs, \$300; stenographer, \$3,000; salaries of three secretaries for two years at \$2,900 each per year, \$12,000. The biennial report of Attorney General Churchill, submitted to Governor Holcomb, recommends several changes in the criminal code of the state, looking to the punishment of criminals. One of them is in reference to the George Swartz case, in which the alleged train wrecker. The attorney general recommends the adoption of the Ohio law, which makes the placing of obstructions on tracks whereby lives are lost murder in the first degree. The report summarizes the work of the office thus: Whole number of criminal cases briefed, argued and disposed of since January 3, 1895, up to November 29, 1898, eighty, thirty-seven of which were pending prior to January, 1895; affirmed, forty-seven; reversed, thirty-three. There are

but four criminal cases pending in the supreme court. Five habeas corpus cases have been prepared, submitted and determined. The writ was allowed in all but one. There have also been prepared and submitted eleven mandamus cases. In three of these the writ was allowed; in seven it was denied and in the other case has not been determined. In the civil cases \$50 was recovered from a sale of school land in Douglas county and paid into the state treasury. The case against ex-treasurer Hill was decided adversely to the state. In the Hilton case the jury disagreed and the maximum freight rate cases were argued, but not determined, an order having been made in each of said cases for a re-argument, and on a motion to advance these cases have been by agreement set for hearing on the third Monday in January, 1897. This department has also prepared thirty-two reports for various county attorneys upon county business; seven official opinions for the governor; eleven for the auditor of public accounts; one for the state treasurer; four for committees of the last house; four for the superintendent of public instruction; two for the State Banking board; two for the secretary of irrigation; two for the Board of Educational Lands and Funds; two for Mrs. Bates, and one for the State Board of Transportation. These matters are exclusive of board duties.

RAN AWAY FROM SANTA CLAUS.

Superintendent John T. Mallon of the Boys' Industrial school, Kearney, was at the home of Mrs. M. C. Keeney, at the all but two of the twenty-eight boys who escaped from the school have been returned, the most of them having come back voluntarily. At the time of their escape Mrs. Mallon was down in the city of Kearney during Christmas presents for them.

Mrs. DeLoe, Goodell of Kearney, and Hon. J. H. MacCoy, were visitors at the capitol today. Mr. Goodell is a candidate for United States marshal. It is understood that John T. Mallon is a candidate for the appointment of one of the five inspectors of Indian agencies.

With the sitting of the twenty-fifth session of the Nebraska legislature the office of chief clerk of the house, now occupied by the secretary of the State Board of Irrigation, will have to be vacated. It is said that there was developed at the last session quite an active opposition to the bill by the popular members of the house, and this sentiment has by no means died out during the past two years. No appointment has been made by the new irrigation board of any successor to Secretary Akers, and there will not, probably, be any made before the adjournment of the session. If the law is not absolutely repealed it will probably be amended to make the secretary an attorney-at-law, instead of a hydraulic engineer, and one of the under secretaries an engineer. The position is more of a legal one than technical, as a large portion of the time of this officer is given to passing upon the legal rights of claimants for water privileges. As all such decisions can be appealed to the courts it is imperative that some legal knowledge be brought to bear in their first adjudication by the secretary.

ASKS FOR A MANDAMUS.

In the Woodruff-Dunlap printing imbroglio, which was carried to the supreme court by Judge Brady on a writ of mandamus, the attorney general has filed a demurrer in general terms, for the purpose of joining issue. The attorney general, however, has given his verbal opinion that the Woodruff-Dunlap side of the controversy is rather the best one, and that this company is entitled to do all the printing that there was developed at the last session quite an active opposition to the bill by the popular members of the house, and this sentiment has by no means died out during the past two years. No appointment has been made by the new irrigation board of any successor to Secretary Akers, and there will not, probably, be any made before the adjournment of the session. If the law is not absolutely repealed it will probably be amended to make the secretary an attorney-at-law, instead of a hydraulic engineer, and one of the under secretaries an engineer. The position is more of a legal one than technical, as a large portion of the time of this officer is given to passing upon the legal rights of claimants for water privileges. As all such decisions can be appealed to the courts it is imperative that some legal knowledge be brought to bear in their first adjudication by the secretary.

pany and S. C. and C. C. Gray have each built large cribs which they are filling, paying 12 cents cash or 11 cents in trade. The weather for the past week has been so like May that December and should it continue for two weeks more the biggest crop Nebraska ever raised will be harvested.

Thieves Rob a Farmer's Residence.

ELKHORN, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram).—Burglars last night entered the house of John Anderson, a farmer residing two miles east of town, and secured \$8 for their labor. As Mr. Anderson in the past has been in the habit of keeping large sums of money in the house the opinion prevails here that the thief was not a stranger. Entrance to the building was effected through a window.

Amusement of a Junonia Man.

JUNIATA, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special).—L. R. McLean, the patriotic Missouri Pacific operator, was giving a New Yorker a lesson in kite flying, carrying "Old Glory" high into the sky yesterday afternoon. The day was a beautiful one, and the line of big colored and white kites with the American flag looked beautiful. He controlled them with a windlass and stout ropes.

Section Foreman Beats His Wife.

NEBRASKA CITY, Dec. 15.—(Special).—Mrs. Smith, wife of the section foreman of the Missouri Pacific at Paul, was so severely beaten by her husband as to require medical assistance. Smith has been in jail for beating his wife before. The county attorney will have a warrant issued for his arrest.

Louisville Merchant Erects Building.

LOUISVILLE, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special).—P. A. Jacobson, whose stock of general merchandise was burned November 2, has commenced the erection of a stone store building 80 by 24 feet. Much of the work will be done before spring opens.

Burglars Break Into a Store.

NEBRASKA CITY, Dec. 15.—(Special).—The book store of H. R. Young & Co. was broken into last night by unknown persons and several small articles, including a number of gold pens, taken.

Section Man's Leg Broken.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special).—Mike Miscock of the Union Pacific force broke his leg this morning, a rail falling on him. He was taken to his home at Chenoa.

Last of Dorsey's Ponca Bank Scheme.

PONCA, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special).—Receiver Watkins of the First National bank of Ponca has disposed of the bank building here—the closing scene of the Dorsey's banking scheme.

District Judge Evans of Dakota City opened court today. A few important cases will come up tomorrow, but of general interest.

Prof. Dutton, formerly of Colbridge, who is prospecting for coal near Ponca, has reached a depth of 200 feet without finding a vein of sufficient thickness to bank on. The American mine, with a one-foot vein, is furnishing the town and surrounding country with good fuel. It is located one and a half miles from Ponca.

Preparing to Discuss Beet Sugar.

HASTINGS, Dec. 15.—(Special).—A large number of Hastings business men held a meeting in the court house last night for the purpose of discussing the beet sugar question. Committees were appointed to make all necessary arrangements for the entertainment of the Nebraska Beet Sugar association, which meets in Hastings February 2 and 3. Charles Dietrich, Claus Frahm and Mr. Allen, president of the Nebraska Beet Sugar association, will address the Adams county farmers in regard to beet sugar raising. All three gentlemen have given the beet sugar growing a great deal of study, and the citizens as well as the farmers are anxious to hear them.

Holding Heavy Stocks of Corn.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special).—It would seem that the Columbus merchants have much faith in better prices in the future for corn. The Columbus Milling com-

WEBSTER ON HARLAN'S DECISION.

Involves Some Issues Similar to the Nebraska Case.

Justice Harlan of the supreme court of the United States has delivered an opinion in another case which involves issues similar to those in controversy in the Nebraska maximum rate case. The case grew out of the action of the Kentucky legislature of 1890 in prescribing the rates of toll which should be charged by the Covington and Lexington Turnpike Road company and which the company refused to observe. The suit by the state to compel the company to observe the law was decided in favor of the plaintiffs, but this decision is now reversed by the United States court on the ground that the law in question violated the fourteenth amendment of the Constitution by taking the property of the company without the process of law.

John L. Webster says that the decision involves the point that is in controversy in the Nebraska case, and also in the New York, Wisconsin and various other rate cases that have been before the supreme court. The decision, however, does not necessarily affect the outcome of the Nebraska case. The opinion involves no new doctrine and its application depends altogether on a question of fact. The courts, Mr. Webster says, have several times decided that in case the rates prescribed by law are not sufficient and control the company to do business without a fair compensation it amounts to a confiscation of the property of the company. But the Nebraska case, like other similar cases, depends on the question whether the rates prescribed are just or otherwise. If it is shown that these rates afford a fair compensation to the company the doctrine enunciated in the decision does not apply.

KELLNER TAKEN IN BY THE POLICE

Suspected of Knowing Something of Hirschberg Robbery.

Charles Kellner, a suspicious character who was arrested Monday, is suspected by the police of knowing something of the Hirschberg pawnshop robbery, when over \$4,000 worth of jewelry and watches were stolen.

The pawnshop was entered from an adjoining store room which was empty. On the morning after the robbery the front door of this store room was found locked. The police believe that the crooks obtained the key from John L. Redick on representa-

tions that they intended to rent the place. Redick stated that he had given the key to a number of different persons. Kellner was brought before Mr. Redick yesterday, but was not identified. Mr. Redick stated that he believed from the man's appearance and method of carrying himself that he was the party to whom he had given the key, but could not be positive because he was busy at the time Kellner was brought before him. He was arrested in this city, was taken back to Iowa and sentenced to a term in the penitentiary.

MIDLAND BANK STOCKHOLDERS.

Receiver Brings Suit in the Interest of Creditors.

Joseph W. Thomas, receiver of the Midland State bank, has commenced suit against the stockholders of the bank to recover the several amounts for which the defendants are liable on account of their stock. This suit was commenced under the direction of the court in order to pay the liabilities of the bank to creditors and other creditors, the receiver having reported to the court that the assets of the bank were in such condition that no substantial amount could be realized on them for a long time.

The defendants in the suit just started are as follows: The amount sued for being specified in each instance and being the amount for which the stockholder is alleged to be liable: George E. Barker, \$15,000; J. N. Cornish, \$22,500; W. S. Rector, \$12,000; A. T. Rector, \$7,500; estate of Joseph Barker, \$7,500; W. G. Templeton, \$11,250; George A. Day, \$2,750; George E. Draper, \$15,000; estate of P. C. Johnson, \$11,250; H. N. Wood, \$8,000; D. J. Wood, \$1,500; Fred Davis, \$7,500; Miss Sed Taylor, \$1,500; W. S. Roberts, \$750; Lee W. Spratlan, \$1,500; William Stevens, \$1,500; estate of S. W. Stratton, \$9,000; Edmund Paulson, \$4,000; A. B. Thornell, \$7,500; Mittle M. Sharp, \$3,000; Charles A. Sharp, \$7,250; E. B. Johnson, \$15,000; F. F. Templeton, \$750; William H. Johnson, \$12,000; Dorothea Stevens, \$1,500; L. H. Bradley, \$1,500; C. E. Barum, \$750; A. H. Dunsenken, \$750; Maria R. Johnson, \$67,000.

Cable Cars Collide on a Hill.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 15.—A serious accident occurred in this city last night on the Selby avenue hill, two cable trains colliding and

very severely injuring Miss Julia Holmberg, Miss Anna Mazon and Henry R. Young, while a large number of others were less seriously injured. A cable train got away from the control of the brakes and leaped into an ascending train at the foot of the hill at Pleasant avenue. A number jumped and escaped serious injury.

MANY ARMOR PLATES REJECTED.

Government Finds Evidence of Starting Attempts at Fraud.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A Newport News special to the Herald says that as a result of experiments of the board which is investigating battleship steel the whole amount now in the Newport News Ship Building company's yards may be condemned. Tests of plates have been so surprisingly unsatisfactory that the investigation has been much more extensive than at first planned. The tests go beyond the Kentucky and Kearsarge steel, although the contract runs for the battleship Illinois are not so rigid as the contracts for the Kentucky and Kearsarge, yet the results of the tests have been so startling that it is probable the board will be asked to investigate the Illinois steel also, in which case work on that vessel will be temporarily suspended.

Grain Business is Booming.

VERMILION, S. D., Dec. 15.—(Special).—The large elevator of McCull, Webster & Co., which is being built in this city, is rapidly drawing to a finish. It will be one of the largest elevators at the company owns. It will be finished in the latter part of January in time to be filled with grain before spring. Thrashing has again started in this county. The snow has nearly disappeared from the ground and leaves the grain stacks in very fair condition. There is considerable grain still to be threshed. Farmers who have not sold their wheat already are rejoicing over the high price paid for that cereal.

Tragedy After a Quarrrel.

WILKESBARE, Pa., Dec. 15.—During a family quarrel today Morris Pope shot John Keithline, fatally wounding him. When Pope saw his friend falling to the floor with a mortal wound to his head he placed the revolver in his own mouth and blew a portion of his head off, dying instantly.

GRATEFUL AND COMFORTING CUTICURA SOAP

For Itch, Aching, Irritated Feet is a warm bath with



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and a gentle anointing with CUTICURA Ointment, the great skin cure.

This treatment allays itching and irritation, soothes and restores the inflamed swellings of the joints, softens the feet, restores the skin, and prevents the reappearance.

Sold throughout the world. Prepara-tions by Dr. J. C. Clark, Lowell, Mass.

One for your wife—

We are making up rugs from fine carpets for those who wish something especially nice for Christmas giving—an ordinary hearth rug to one big enough to cover the largest room in Omaha—your wife will appreciate one of these more than almost anything you can give her—while the cost to you is trifling.

Club Skates 30c.

And club skates at all sorts of prices above that—nice skis for 25c—better and bigger for—carving sets—three pieces—for \$1.00—others big—pocket knives—two—down silver plated knives and forks—for \$2—some for more—better of course—child's silver plated knife, fork and spoon 25c—and lots of useful little things that make appreciable Christmas gifts.

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We're open evenings—

Every night from now till Christmas we keep open—not in the history of Christmas times have such magnificent gifts been displayed—rich and rare—useful and small cost—from jewelry to calendars—from greeting cards to huge quantities of little ornaments to the most beautiful conceptions—all at the most reasonable prices ever quoted.

They say Maceo's dead

Well—Drexel L. Maceo is going to find out—if he doesn't, his dog will—Drexel never uses slippers on his dog—although he has free access to the biggest line of Christmas slippers for men—boys—women and girls—as low as 75c—guaranteed to fit any stocking.

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